

ALICE BARRETT LOST IN SUGAR.

Boston's Mysterious Girl Sank \$5,000 in the Sweet Stock.

WAS A HEAVY BORROWER.

Tried to Raise \$1,200 on the Day She Bought Her Revolver.

FIRE MARSHAL SAYS MURDER.

Points to Missing Money and Keys and Direction the Bullet Took to Prove

His Theory—Can "Charley" Newhall Explain It?

Boston, July 29.—Whether Alice Barrett was killed or took her own life is as much a mystery as ever, but that she was mixed up in financial transactions which might have led to either end came out today during Fire Marshal Whitcomb's investigation. It is now known that she lost \$5,000 in Sugar stocks, and also that she tried to borrow \$1,200 on the day she bought the revolver, saying she needed the money that day, and she appeared to be downcast when refused.

On the other hand, there are good grounds for believing that a murder was committed.

W. C. Coleman, one of the firm which employed Miss Barrett, at No. 40 Water street, has no patience with the suicide theory. He declares that he knows the girl, and that she never stole a cent from him in her life.

"The girl," he said to the Fire Marshal and to others, "was murdered. The murderer took the money and escaped by the window."

Points to Murder.

Fire Marshal Whitcomb is himself a convert to the murder theory. He brought out today the disappearance of Miss Barrett's bunch of keys, and a check for \$25, which was with the missing \$200 as Coleman & Coleman's safe on the day of her death.

He said the Fire Marshal to-day, "There is a good deal in the case that suggests murder. For instance, take the wound that caused the death of the young woman. The muzzle of that revolver was held almost at Miss Barrett's collarbone. It was fired downward. See how she would have had to crane her arm to get it around to where the bullet would enter near the collarbone and pass downward. I confess it is mighty singular that she should do that way. Had the bullet gone in horizontally she might not think much of it. But that is one of the things in this case that should be looked at closely.

"If Miss Barrett was murdered, how did her murderer escape with the office locked on the inside?" asked the reporter.

"There was a way," said the Fire Marshal, "the window. It was open, and the office window in the rear. That window might be locked."

To Borrow Money.

The investigation of the features of the day was the testimony of F. J. Collins, who says he is the proprietor of the London Street, with an office on Water street. Collins stated that he was with Miss Barrett on parts of the day when she was killed, that he saw her on Saturday when she died, that he took her around to several hotels for supper, and that at one place his refreshments included a bottle of champagne.

Thursday night, he declared, Miss Barrett asked him for the loan of \$1,200 to get a present for her mother. He could not furnish this amount and then she asked him for a small amount, about \$40, which he gave to her. He said that the day after she was killed, on Friday night, Collins saw her again with Miss Barrett, but he did not say where. Neither would he say where they stopped on Thursday night.

The Traveller to-day published an affidavit by Mr. Collins, in which he says that he believes that Miss Barrett committed suicide because she was between \$2,000 and \$3,000 short in her accounts with the firm of Coleman & Coleman. I have my belief on the fact that she (Miss Barrett) on the day she bought the revolver at Lovell's (Friday) asked me to lend her \$1,200, saying that she needed the money that day. I did not have that amount of money with me, and as the banks were closed, could not raise it. She then said that she had a key to a safe in which she had \$500 about which she had been told to have an important bearing on the case."

In every point Mr. Collins's statements were denied. The young woman's mother said, under oath, that she was with her on both the Thursday and the Friday night to which Collins refers. She also stated that her daughter never asked for \$1,200.

Mr. Foss avows that the much-talked-of \$500 mentioned in the will of the dead girl was not sent to him, and that the Fire Marshal has no doubt of the truth of this.

Charles Barrett, a brother of Miss Barrett, denies the speculation.

He says that the story told by Collins that she was with her on Thursday and the Friday night is not true. He says that both the clerk at Lovell's and the cab driver who took my sister to the street, etc., etc., there is no doubt about it. My sister did not speculate. She always told my mother everything. If she had spent any money in Bank Street, my mother would have known it. She never did."

Man in the Case.

In view of the correction made by Fire Marshal Whitcomb of the man's name who used to visit Miss Barrett, from Newton to Newhall, a reporter was led to make an investigation as to a probable friendship between "Charley" Newhall, a former used bookkeeper for the Agricultural Insurance Company, and the young woman who was recently committed suicide in Coleman's office last Saturday.

He had mysteriously disappeared July 15. An examination of the books revealed a series of entries at Newhall's name, which went nobody knows. If it should turn out that Newhall was the "Newton" whom Fire Marshal Whitcomb said in mind and name, that he had the missing \$5,000, it would be the same, perhaps some additional light would be thrown on the mystery.

A note received by Miss Barrett, found on the floor in Coleman's office the night when money had been intrusted for investments was spoken of as being "out of the country." Newhall is not in Boston.

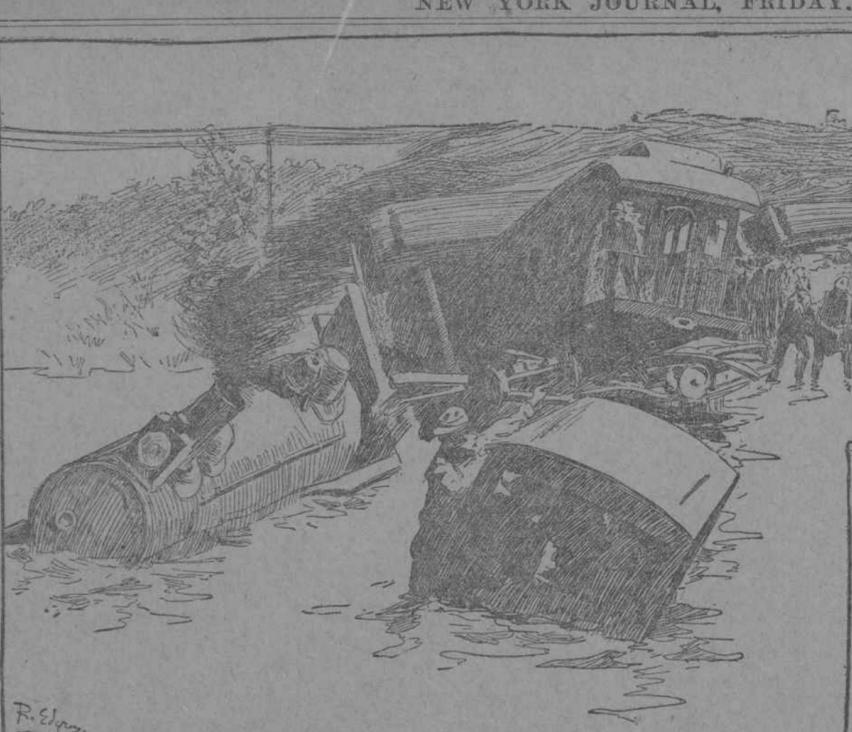
BLINDMAN'S GUILTY PISTS.

Convicted by a Jury for Beating a Policeman Who Had Gone Within Reach.

Bernard O. Hudson, a blind man, of No. 212 East Twenty-eighth street, was convicted of assault in the third degree yesterday, before Judge Newburger.

He was accused of assaulting Policeman Kelly, of the East Thirtieth Street Station, on July 19. The policeman claimed that he heard cries of murder coming from the blind man's apartments and went inside, where he was beaten by Hudson and others.

Hudson said the policeman entered the place, shouting, "Now, I've got you, Phillips," and that he only defended his home. The jury brought in a verdict of guilty, and he was remanded for next week.



Long Island Train Ditched by a Submerged Track.

Freshets had flooded a depression on the Long Island Railroad, and an engine, smoker and two passenger cars were thrown into a ditch. Seven people were injured, but none fatally. Engineer Jackson, in describing his sensations to the Journal, said:

"We came down yonder hill at a thirty-mile clip, and when within a short distance of the bottom I saw the worst thing an engineer can see, next to a train coming at him head-on—a washout. I reversed at once, but the train went down hill just as though the wheels were greased. Old No. 50 gave a jump to the right and slid along the hill, then she took a jump to the left and tumbled over on her side clear across the track, tearing the cab from the engine and leaving it twenty feet behind with me in her. I crawled out with nothing worse than a skinned ear and a banged head."

TRAIN DITCHED AND SEVEN HURT.

Washout on the Long Island Railroad Caused a Wreck.

TRACK WAS SUBMERGED.

Engineer Jackson Stood at His Post and Tried to Save the Passengers.

They Are Considering Plans by Which the Freight Rate War May Be Brought to an End.

The utter demoralization of freight rates on both east and west-bound traffic received the attention of the Board of Control of the Joint Traffic Association yesterday. At the secret session during the forenoon the situation was discussed in a general way by those present. All of the lines were represented except the Vanderbilt, Canadian Pacific and Ontario & Western.

After this conference the presidents of the roads were divided into two committees. One, consisting of the presidents of the lines leading out from Chicago, took up the east-bound situation, and the other, comprising the presidents of the trunk lines leading from this city, considered the west-bound rates.

Reports were turned in to the main body late in the afternoon. Owing to the importance of the matter in hand and the necessity of considering it for some time before taking action, the meeting was adjourned to meet again at 11 o'clock this morning.

It is believed that radical measures of some kind will be decided upon. Meetings of traffic managers and even of presidents have resulted in promises that have not been kept. None of these promises has been kept. Now it is realized that the very life of the association is endangered unless a stop is put to the rate cutting, and decisive action is expected.

MURDERED AND BURNED.

Williams Accused of Killing Gullio for His Money and Firing His Hut to Conceal the Crime.

Lynn, Mass., July 29.—Aired C. Williams, of Lynnfield Centre, was arrested this morning by State Officer George T. Neal on suspicion of being responsible for the death of Joan Gullio, a farm hand, whose body was burned in his shanty on the Phillip's farm, at Lynnfield, Wednesday morning.

It is alleged that Gullio was shot and robbed of a sum of money supposed to be in his hut, and that the building was afterward fired to conceal the evidence of the crime. Williams was brought to Lynn during the forenoon.

He had a hearing in the police court yesterday and was ordered held without bail for a continuance of the case until Saturday.

George Hatch and John Smith, who live near the place, had heard the sound of three shots shortly before the fire broke out at Gullio's hut. Gullio had about \$175, which he had earned in his possession.

Medical Examiner Jack, of Medford, who examined the remains and the shell of the dead man, found a small puncture in the head that might have been made by a bullet.

Williams for the past two months was in a position to know Gullio and his habits and that he had money. He appeared in Wakefield covered with blood and much excited. When questioned he said that he had been assaulted and robbed in Wakefield. He remembered nothing after having been hit on the head with a club until he awoke on the border of a small pond near the place where the alleged assault was made.

When Williams gave evidence of having a considerable sum of money he was asked to explain how he got it. Not being able to do so it was decided to arrest him.

MORE OFFICES TO FILL.

The President's Recent Civil Service Order has Increased the Number.

Washington, July 29.—A statement prepared at the Treasury Department shows that the recent civil service order of the President increases the exemptions from the Civil Service competitive examination for certain positions.

The first one to emerge from the wreck was Miss Nettie Stretzart, of Terryville. She was very much frightened, but an examination showed that she was not hurt. Groans and cries came from the smoking car and in a very short time Major Clinton E. Smith, of Smithtown, was taken out from between the seats badly cut about the neck and legs, and three other victims of the wreck. Mr. C. B. Woodhull, his brother-in-law, an employe of the Tax Commissioner's office in this city, was seriously cut about the head, neck and arms.

JOHN W. FOSTER CALLED A DUNGLER FOR FALSE LOVER. Professor Elliott Sharply Criticises the Sealing Letter Sent to Salisbury. FULL OF GROSS ERRORS. CAPTAIN BOITCHEFF TO DIE The Writer Accused of Ignorance and Imperilling the Case of the United States. He Drowned His Sweetheart That He Might Make a Rich Marriage.

MONEY FOR BRIDE'S DEATH IN DISPUTE. Novel Claim for Damages from the Winchester Arms Company. HER MARRIAGE ILLEGAL.

Baumeister's Father - in - Law Wants It Annulled to Cut Off the Husband's Rights.

New Haven, July 29.—For the past two days William Martindale, of South Brooklyn, has been here for the purpose of consulting the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, regarding the damages it is said the Winchesters are to pay for the death of the several victims of the recent explosion.

GERRY MEN WRATH WITH A MAGISTRATE. They Think "Milk-Shake" Tallon Should Have Been Severely Punished.

HE CHAINED UP HIS BOY. But Was Released in Court with a Reprimand—Step-mother to Blame.

Members of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children are very indignant because Magistrate Simms discharged Joan Tallon yesterday with only a sharp reprimand. He is the original "Milk-Shake Man," who shackled a boy and chain him to the leg of his son Jimmie, ten years old, to keep him on the streets.

BEE STING PROVED FATAL. Vandewater Died Yesterday from the Effects of a Yellow Jacket's Attack Upon Him on July 21.

Middletown, N. Y., July 29.—Harry Vandewater, who was stung by a yellow jacket on July 21, died to-day. He lived twelve miles from this city at Franklin Square.

LITTLE GIRL'S SAD STORY. Carried Off to the Mountains by a Man Who Beat Her and Threatened Her Life.

Washington, July 29.—Assistant Secretary Howell, of the Treasury Department, in speaking to-day of the compensation to informers in customs cases said: "Experience has convinced the officers of the Treasury Department that nothing is to be gained by a higgledy policy regarding the compensation to be awarded to informers in customs cases."

WILL NOT ACCEPT ARMOR. Secretary Long Will Not Accede to the Proposition Made by the Manufacturers.

Washington, July 29.—Secretary Long has rejected the offer of the armor companies to supply the diagonal armor for the three battle ships Alabama, Wisconsin and Illinois, now building, at a price to be fixed hereafter by the Navy Department itself.

SETH LOW AND LABOR. Non-Union Men Employed at the New House of Workmen's Chosen Umpire.

The Board of Walking Delegates expects to have a party to-day from Mr. Sprague, of the Sprague Elevator Company, at Wat-essing, N. J., in answer to a communication sent him demanding a conference with a view to settling the strike there.

STOKER TURNED SMUGGLER. Stowed Away 35 Pounds of Sumatra Tobacco in the Hold of the Friesland.

Re-elected President of "Big Six." The counting of the votes taken at the annual election of Typographical Union No. 6, which began on Wednesday evening, was finished early yesterday morning.

Giants Back from the Jubilee. Among the passengers on the steamer Orinoco, which sailed from pier No. 47, North River, yesterday afternoon for Bermuda, were half a dozen members of the Bermuda Volunteer Corps, who returned from Great Britain by the steamer Majestic on Wednesday.

New York Somnambulist Dead. Middletown, N. Y., July 29.—George Hendrickson, the travelling salesman of New York City, who fell from the second-story window of an inn at Elmville on Thursday night last, died to-day. The dead man's relatives about the idea of suicide, and claim that Hendrickson was a somnambulist.